REMARKS

The application has been amended in a manner believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

Claims 17-32 remain in the application, claim 17 and claim 24 being independent. Claims 17 and 19-31 are allowable.

Claims 18 and 32 were rejected under section 112, second paragraph.

The Official Action stated that claim 18 is indefinite, further stating that Figure 2 of the drawings does not show plural antennae on each transmit unit or on each receive unit.

Claim 32 is rejected was being dependent from claim 18.

In response, claim 18 is amended to recite each of the transmit units and the receive units have an antenna, based on the Official Action's suggestion.

Based on the foregoing, withdrawal of the section 112 rejection is solicited.

Claims 17-23 are further amended to address a formal issue in the preamble of the claims consistent with U.S. practice and preferences; these amendments are non-substantive and do not introduce new matter.

Entry of the foregoing amendments to the claims is earnestly solicited.

As the claims are indicated to be allowable, apart from the 112 issue addressed above, allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested.

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From the foregoing, it will be apparent that Applicants have fully responded to the January 7, 2009 Official Action and that the claims as presented are patentable. In view of this, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims, as presented, and their early passage to issue.

In order to expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to telephone the attorney for Applicants at the number set forth below if the Examiner is of the opinion that further discussion of this case would be helpful.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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